



## **Florence-Firestone Community Plan Frequently Asked Questions**



### **Q: What is a Community Plan?**

**A:** The Community Plan is a policy document that sets forth broad guidelines for the extent and nature of growth. It is a “blueprint” for the community and establishes the density, form and character.

### **Q: Why is the Community Plan important?**

**A:** The Community Plan guides the direction and form of future development and growth. The process is an opportunity to identify and plan for the future the community desires.

### **Q: Is the Community Plan the same as the General Plan?**

**A:** The “General Plan” refers to the Los Angeles County General Plan, which is the main policy document for the County. It guides the long-term future use and physical development of the land in unincorporated Los Angeles County. A Community Plan provides more detailed policies and goals for the community while maintaining consistency with the General Plan.

### **Q: Do all communities in Los Angeles County have Community Plans?**

**A:** There are currently 13 Community Plans in unincorporated LA County; Florence Firestone will be number 14. Communities that do not have Community Plans are guided by the goals and policies set forth in the countywide General Plan, which is currently undergoing a comprehensive update.

### **Q: Why is a Community Plan being developed for Florence-Firestone?**

**A:** In 2009, a Vision Plan was completed for Florence-Firestone that identified where the community wants to be in the future, and what improvements and changes residents envision. The Community Plan is one tool to help realize that vision. It contains specific goals, policies, and implementation actions and, once adopted by the County Board of Supervisors, the Plan will guide future development in the community to help achieve the vision.

### **Q: How long does it take to develop a Community Plan?**

**A:** The update can usually be completed in a couple years. The length of time can vary greatly depending on the specific community, their issues and the existing conditions.

### **Q: How can I participate in the update process?**

**A:** There are many levels of participation. If you are interested in having a voice in the process, you can attend community workshops, provide feedback on draft materials, testify at public hearings, complete surveys, or tell a friend!